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Fishery Information Section

Weekly Summer Flounder Quota Report (No. 25)

Summer Flounder Landings (pounds) for 2000.

State	Late Entries	Week Ending 24-JUN-00	Period	2000 Quotas	Percent Landed
			Cumulative Total (to date)		
ME	0	0	5,987	3,956	151.3
NH	0	0	0	51	0.0
MA	50	0	140,306	710,712	19.7
RI	485	46,951	1,174,829	1,742,566	67.4
CT	4,453	5,765	196,774	250,788	78.5
NY	828	10,486	569,792	849,672	67.1
NJ	136	2,561	1,189,823	1,814,320	65.6
DE	0	1,204	6,016	-31,738	-
MD	0	6,996	68,047	226,568	30.0
VA	48	5,136	1,567,473	2,358,689	66.5
NC	-25,243	173	2,288,203	3,049,560	75.0
TOTAL	-19,243	79,272	7,207,250	11,006,882	65.5

Notes:

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary.

If negative late entries are present on this report, they are the result of corrections made to the database.

For the week ending **24-JUN-00**, 214 dealers held a federal summer flounder permit. Of those 214 dealers, 163(76%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, the number of dealers that reported from that state for week ending **24-JUN-00** were not included in these calculations.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Summer Flounder (2000 Quota Period)

- This table is to be used for informational purposes only, and should not be relied on for state regulations. That information should be attained directly from the individual states.

State/ Commonwealth	Closure status	Trip/Possession Limits (pounds)	Other Provisions/ Pending Changes	State Contact
Maine				Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts		The trip limit for summer flounder for Massachusetts is 100 lbs per 24 hour day for draggers, fish weirs and longliners until the end of the squid season.	The trip limit is zero for all gear types through 7/4/2000. Effective Wednesday, 7/5/2000, the trip limit for all net gear will be 300 lbs per day and the trip limit for all hook gear will be 200 lbs per day.	Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 0001 hrs on Friday, 6/23/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder in Rhode Island is 50 lbs.	Effective 0001 hrs on Saturday, 7/1/2000, commercial harvesting of summer flounder in Rhode Island waters is prohibited until 9/1/2000.	April Valliere 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut		Effective 0001 hrs on Thursday, 6/1/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder in Connecticut will be reduced to 50 lbs through Friday, 6/30/2000.	Effective 0001 hrs on Saturday, 7/1/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder in Connecticut will be increased to 250 lbs until 15% of the Connecticut annual quota has been landed.	Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York		Beginning 0001 hrs on Sunday, 6/11/2000, the trip limit will be a maximum of 50 lbs and the quantity of summer flounder may not be more than 10% of all fish being landed. This change does not apply to the new HOOK & LINE permit holders. That category remains a directed fishery.		John Mason 516-444-0453

State Information on Summer Flounder, continued (2000 Quota Period)

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State/ Commonwealth	Closure status	Trip/Possession Limits (pounds)	Other Provisions/ Pending Changes	State Contact
New Jersey		Effective 2001 hrs on 6/9/2000, no vessel shall land or possess any summer flounder in excess of the by-catch limit of 100 lbs through 6/30/2000 or until such time as the May-June by-catch quota of 19,245 lbs is projected to be taken. By-catch landings may not exceed ten (10) percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.	The July-August directed fishery season will begin on Sunday, 7/2/2000 with a trip limit for vessels holding a valid New Jersey Summer Flounder Permit of 500 lbs and a maximum of five (5) days per week that a vessel may land summer flounder.	Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland		Effective 0800 hrs on Friday, 2/26/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder for vessels with a Maryland summer flounder permit is increased to 5,000 lbs.		Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia				Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina	Closed	Effective 1800 hrs on Friday, 3/3/2000, the North Carolina commercial season for summer flounder is closed. North Carolina Fisheries Rules allow vessels to land up to 100 lbs of flounder per trip taken from the Atlantic Ocean during a closed season.	North Carolina commercial season will reopen on 11/1/2000.	Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021